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Re: Serial No. 09/535,105

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Please find attached:

- > Response to Office Action dated September 24, 2004 (13 pages)
- > Transmittal Letter for Amendment (1 page)

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In re Application of: Robert G. Arsenault, et al.
Serial No. 09/535,105
Filed: March 24, 2000
For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR STORING AND
DISPLAYING DIGITAL OBJECTS ASSOCIATED
WITH AN ELECTRONIC TELEVISION PROGRAM
GUIDE USING FUZZY LOGIC

Date: December 21, 2004
Group Art Unit: 2611
Examiner: Ngoc K. Vu

TRANSMITTAL LETTER FOR AMENDMENT

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir: Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

____ Applicant petitions for an extension of time for _____ months(s) to respond to the Office Action dated _____. If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

____ An extension for _____ months(s) has already been secured; the fee paid therefor of _____ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested. _____
Extension fee due with this request \$ _____

☒ Applicant believes that no extension of time is required to respond to the Office Action dated September 24, 2004. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

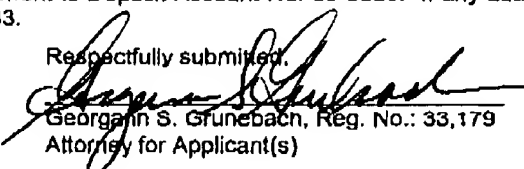
☒ No additional fee for claims is required.

____ The fee for claims has been calculated as shown below:

CLAIMS AS AMENDED									
CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE					
TOTAL CLAIMS	14	minus	20	=	0	x	\$ 18.00	\$	00.00
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	4	minus	4	=	0	x	\$ 86.00	\$	00.00
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS					0	+	\$ 290.00	\$	00.00
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT:								\$	00.00

Charge \$ 00.00 to Deposit Account No. 50-0383 of Hughes Electronics Corporation, El Segundo, California. Please charge any additional fees for claims or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0383. If any additional extension fee is required, please charge to Deposit Account No. 50-0383.

Respectfully submitted,


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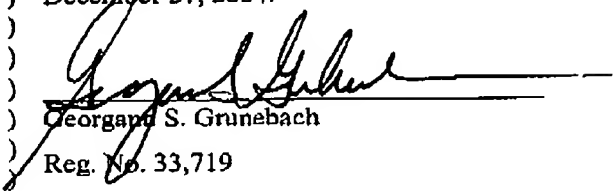
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RESPONSE TO THE OFFICE ACTION DATED SEPTEMBER 24, 2004

Dear Sir:

Please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.

The Status of the Claims is reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of
this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.